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Subject: Year 2004 Additions and Deletions to CPT™ and HCPCS* Codes allowed

in Ambulatory Surgery Centers

Effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2004, the Medical Assistance Administration (MAA) will adopt the 2004 Medicare Fee Schedule Database (MFSDB) Ambulatory Surgery Centers (ASC) groupers for the new January 1, 2004, CPTTM procedures. MAA has adopted the additions and deletions that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) made to this database effective January 1, 2004.

Maximum Allowable Fees

The maximum allowable fees for the ASC groups **remain at the July 1, 2003**, levels and are as follows:

	July 1, 2003 Maximum				
Group	Allowable				
1	\$302.21				
2	\$332.71				
3	\$359.38				
4	\$407.17				
5	\$437.93				
6	\$490.50				
7	\$552.79				
8	\$634.52				
9	\$906.64				

Note: To obtain the complete ASC Fee Schedule, go to MAA's website at http://maa.dshs.wa.gov. Click on the Provider Publications/Fee Schedules link.

^{*} CPT stands for Current Procedural Terminology HCPCS stands for Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System

Policy Statement

All procedures performed in an ASC are subject to the program guidelines set for each specific program. For example: surgeries are subject to the Physician-Related Services (RBRVS) Washington Administrative Code (WAC) and Billing Instructions, and dental procedures are subject to the Dental WAC and Dental Billing Instructions.

Procedure Code Changes

MAA has added the following CPT procedure codes to the list of reimbursable procedures when performed or provided in an ASC:

Added Procedure		Prior Auth	Added Procedure		Prior Auth
Code	Group	Required?	Code	Group	Required?
36555	01	N	36571	03	N
36556	01	N	36575	02	N
36557	02	N	36576	02	N
36558	02	N	36578	02	N
36560	03	N	36580	01	N
36561	03	N	36581	02	N
36563	03	N	36582	03	N
36565	03	N	36583	03	N
36566	03	N	36584	01	N
36568	01	N	36585	03	N
36569	01	N	36589	01	N
36570	03	N	36590	01	N

MAA has deleted the following CPT procedure codes from the list of reimbursable procedures when performed or provided in an ASC:

Deleted Procedure Codes							
36488	36490	36530	36532	36534			
36489	36491	36531	36533	36535			

To obtain this numbered memoranda electronically, go to MAA's website at http://maa.dshs.wa.gov (click on the Provider Publications/Fee Schedules link).

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